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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

KAUTZ, et al.

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For: **2-HYDROXY-6-PHENYLPHENANTHRIDINES AS PDE4 INHIBITORS****PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 1-13, 15 and 18-19, cancel claims 14 and 16-17 without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein, and add new claim 20 as outlined in Appendix A, entitled "Claim Amendments", attached herewith.

IN THE ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Please enter the Abstract of the Disclosure as outlined in Appendix B, attached herewith.